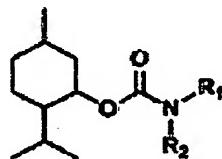


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- 1.(currently amended) A method for repelling cockroaches, the method comprising:

providing Use as an insect repellent of a compound of the formula



wherein,

R₁ and R₂ are independently selected from the group consisting of H; an aliphatic residue having 1 to 20 carbon atoms, or a cycloaliphatic residue having 5 to 14 carbon atoms, or an aliphatic or cycloaliphatic residue aforementioned containing one or more hetero-atoms selected from O, N or S; an aryl or heteroaryl group having from 6 to 14 carbon atoms and wherein hetero-atoms are selected from O, N or S; or any of the aforementioned groups substituted with a group selected from, C₁₋₄ alkyl, C₁₋₄ alkoxy, C₂₋₄ alkenyl, aryl or heteroaryl as defined above, aryloxy, amino-, amido-, ester, keto-, hydroxyl, and halogen, or

R₁ and R₂ together with the nitrogen atom to which they are attached form a 5- or 6-membered ring that may optionally contain additional heteroatoms selected from O, N or S, wherein the compound is selected from the group consisting of methyl-carbamic acid (-)-menthyl ester, ethyl-carbamic acid (-)-menthyl ester, butyl-carbamic acid (-)-menthyl ester, isobutyl-carbamic acid (-)-menthyl ester, diethyl-carbamic acid (-)-menthyl ester, pyrrolidine-1-carboxylic acid (-)-menthyl ester, piperidine-1-carboxylic acid (-)-menthyl

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ester, morpholine-4-carboxylic acid (-)-mentyl ester, phenyl-
carbamic acid (-)-mentyl ester and 3-[(-)-menthoxy-
carbonylamino]-propionic acid ester; and

applying a preparation comprising the compound to a substrate.

2.(canceled)

3.(canceled)

4.(currently amended) A composition for repelling cockroaches, the
composition comprising the a compound provided according to the method
of claim 1 in an insect-repellent amount.

5.(currently amended) The A-composition according to claim 4, further
comprising at least one additional insect repellent.

6.(currently amended) The A-composition according to claim 4, further
comprising additionally at least one insecticide.

7.(currently amended) The A-composition according to claim 4, further comprising
additionally at least one fragrance ingredient.

8.(canceled)